

**Remarks**

The Restriction Requirement dated June 11, 2008, has been received and carefully reviewed. In response to the restriction requirement Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims according to Group 1(a), i.e., claims 1-5, 9, 10-12, 39, 48, 59, 62, 63 and 76.

Applicants thank the Examiner for acknowledging that claims 1 and 39 are linking claims.

Applicants note that the Office Action comments on European Patent 1197350 in paragraph 5. Applicants submit that as this commentary is the basis for the restriction requirement, and not a rejection over prior art, Applicants are not obligated to comment on this art. Accordingly, Applicants' silence is not an admission in any way with respect to the comments.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 02-2135.

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